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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Action dated April 10, 2003, please amend this application as follows:

In the Specification:

Amend the specification for consistency with the section entitled "Amendments to the Specification," beginning on page 2 of this amendment.

In the Claims:

Amend claims 30-32, 34-41 and 45-48 for consistency with the section entitled "Listing of the Claims," beginning on page 3 of this amendment. Each claim changed by this amendment is identified as "currently amended" and marked to show the nature of the change. Unamended claims are identified as "previously added." Claims 50-62, added by this amendment, are identified as "new." Claims 33 and 49 are cancelled.

A section entitled "Remarks" begins on page 11, following the listing of the claims.

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Amendments to the Specification

Amend the third, fourth and fifth paragraphs on page 33 of the specification, to read as follows:

-- Another bioabsorbable stent that may advantageously be used in conjunction with the present invention is disclosed in J. Stinson's United States Patent ~~Application~~ No. 5,980,564 entitled "Bioabsorbable Implantable Endoprosthesis with Reservoir and Method of Using Same", based on Application Serial No. 08/905,806, filed concurrently herewith, and commonly assigned to the assignee of this application. --

-- A bioabsorbable marker that may advantageously be used in conjunction with the present invention is disclosed in J. Stinson's and Claude Clerc's United States Patent ~~Application~~ No. 6,340,367 entitled "Radiopaque Markers and Methods of Using Same", based on Application Serial No. 08/905,821, filed concurrently herewith, and commonly assigned to the assignee of this application. --

-- Another bioabsorbable marker that may advantageously be used in conjunction with the present invention is disclosed in J. Stinson's United States Patent ~~Application~~ No. 6,174,330 entitled "Bioabsorbable Marker Having Radiopaque Constituents and Method of Using Same", based on Application Serial No. 08/904,951, filed concurrently herewith, and commonly assigned to the assignee of this application. --
